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## **ST. LOUIS CIRCUIT ATTORNEY AND UNITED STATES ATTORNEY REPORT WEEKLY RESULTS OF ST. LOUIS REGIONAL CEASEFIRE INITIATIVE**

St. Louis, Missouri: The following represents the prosecution activities under the St. Louis Regional Ceasefire Initiative, a component of the Bush Administration's Project Safe Neighborhoods Program, United States Attorney James G. Martin and St. Louis Circuit Attorney Jennifer Joyce announced today.

These cases are the result of the collaborative efforts of federal and local law enforcement including the U.S. Attorney's Office, the St. Louis City Circuit Attorney's Office, the St. Louis County Prosecutor's Office, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), the U.S. Marshal's Service, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department and the St. Louis County Police Department.

This week's results of Project Safe Neighborhood/Ceasefire are as follows:

### **ST. LOUIS CIRCUIT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE:**

Elton Mullins, 45, of the 4400 block of Blair Ave, was found guilty by a jury on August 4, 2004 of five counts of assault 1st degree, five counts of armed criminal action, and one count of unlawful use of a weapon arising out of events that occurred on July 13, 2002 in the 4400 block of Blair in the College Hill neighborhood. Mullins faces a sentence of ten years to life when he is sentenced on September 2, 2004 by Judge David Mason in division 17 of the Circuit Court for the City of St. Louis.

Larry Lewis, 28, of the 12000 block of Fontaine, was sentenced to serve a total of twenty years in the Missouri Department of Corrections on August 8, 2004 by Judge Robert Dierker. Lewis pled

guilty to assault 2nd degree, armed criminal action, two counts of resisting arrest, two counts of trafficking drugs in the second degree, two counts of unlawful use of a weapon, possession of a controlled substance - cocaine base, and possession of marijuana under 35 grams. The charges stem from four separate incidents from October 24, 2002 to August 7, 2003.

Terrence Reid, 21, of the 4200 block of Shaw, was found guilty by a jury of one count of unlawful use of a weapon - drive by shooting on July 22, 2004. Reid will be sentenced on September 17, 2004 by Judge Robert Dierker.

Jermaine Ewing, 27, of the 3900 block of Evans was found guilty by a jury on August 4, 2004 of assault first degree and armed criminal action. Ewing will face a sentence of 10 years to life incarceration when he is sentenced on October 7, 2004 by Judge Timothy Wilson in Division 23 of the Circuit Court for the City of St. Louis.

#### **UNITED STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**

CLYDE BARRETT, 61, of the 5700 block of Goodfellow, St. Louis, was sentenced to 120 months in prison, without parole on one felony count of possession with intent to distribute over five grams of crack cocaine and one felony count of possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug-trafficking crime.

CHRISTOPHER DILLARD, 26, of the 3600 block of Michigan, St. Louis, 63118, pled guilty to one felony count of being a previously convicted felon in possession of a firearm. Dillard now faces a maximum penalty of ten years in prison and/or a fine of \$250,000. Sentencing has been set for October 29, 2004.

GEROME E. CUMMINS, JR., 30, of the 7300 block of Hardscrapple, St. Louis, 63123, pled guilty to one felony count of being a previously convicted felon in possession of a firearm. Cummins now faces a maximum penalty of ten years in prison and/or a fine of \$250,000. Sentencing has been set for October 29, 2004.

ALFRED J. HOWARD, 24, of the 5300 block of Ridge Avenue, St. Louis, 63112, pled guilty to one felony count of possession of an unregistered sawed-off shotgun. Howard now faces a maximum penalty of ten years in prison and/or a fine of \$250,000. Sentencing has been set for October 29, 2004.